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Group Art Unit: 1646

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Serial No.: 09/728,423

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Atty. Docket No.: PP01618.003 (2300-1618)

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Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is a <u>Response</u> and a Return Receipt <u>Postcard</u>.

2. Claim Fee Calculation

No additional claim fee is required.

X Amendment increases number of claims or multiple dependencies.

Additional Claim Fee Calculation

Description	Fee Code	Claims	Extra	Rate	Fee
Independent	1201	1 – 3 =	0 x	\$ 84 =	\$0
Multiple Dependent	1203	13	13	\$280 =	\$3,640
Total	1202	27 –27 =	0 x	\$ 18 =	\$0

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 1, 2002, for which a response is initially due on or before January 1, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

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